



The Conflagration

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Using a Biblical Calendar you will find that Enoch was taken off the earth at the very end of the first 1,000 years of this earth. And he will return at the start of the 1000 year reign of Christ. This is because he was taken into the City of God, shortly before it was taken off this earth. And it was this departure of the City that directly led to the destruction of the flood. This is why God says, "And behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth" because God was so sick of fallen man that He couldn't remain in our presence any longer, so He left with the City, and took Enoch with Him as Testimony.

It will be the return of God that will cause the Fires of the Tribulation. The city is synonymous with God's presence, which was here at the beginning, and will be again at the start of the Millenium. Of this all the Scripture agree.

The belief that during the Millennium the New Jerusalem would be floating above the earth and that after the Millennium God would destroy everything and then recreate it and that only then would New Jerusalem be established on this earth was never entertained by the Jews before the times of Y'shua.

It was not entertained by Y'shua Himself, or the Apostles, or the early Church. It is a result of the reemergence to a position of prominence of the Premillennial Faith.

For the first 300 years of the Church age, the Premillennial Faith was the 'Catholic' faith. Then around the times of Constantine, this faith was supplanted by Covenant theology, which said the Jews were cast off, and the Church was the kingdom.

Then around the 1700s the Premillennial Faith once again began to gain prominence. However this particular belief is not part of the original faith. It is a result of poor principles of interpretation and lack of faith in God's ability and desire to return to this earth and restore it with His presence, as opposed to totally destroying it at the end of the Millennium, and only then blessing it with His presence.

The Great Conflagration of both the Old Testament and the New Testament have always been understood as occurring at the end of the Tribulation, not at the End of the Millenium.

And to this witness the stars also agree, because in the Orion Constellation, which describes the return of Y'shua, the Fiery River of Judgment springs up at His Feet. His Glory is going to be so Awesome, that it will set this fallen world on fire.

This Fiery Conflagration is spoken of by Peter. He starts his description with the concept of the Lord's Return. "Where is the promise of His Coming?" Obviously this is at the end of the Tribulation and not at the end of the Millennium. Then he says that the heavens and the earth are,"reserved unto fire against the day of judgment."

This is the judgment of the Tribulation, not at the end of the Millennium, as some state. Thus Revelation 14:7, "Fear God, and give glory to him for the Hour of His Judgment is Come" and sometime shortly after that the Vials are poured out.

Then Peter continues in the context of Y'shua's return at the end of the Tribulation, "but the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up."

And again, John tells us exactly when this Thief like coming and fiery judgment occurs, which is right before the Seventh Vial is poured out; "Behold, I come as a thief...and he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue, Armageddon." And this exact same outline of events is also the case in Isaiah chapter 66, as well as everywhere in the Scriptures (Amos and Psalms and Nahum to name a few).

When God says that, "I make all things New" it is a passage of Scripture specifically referring to the beginning of the Millenium and it is talking about the renewal of the earth, and heaven (atmosphere) that takes place during the Restoration of all things.

And the concept of renewal is justified by the original Hebrew language, as well as the context of the Greek. And this renewal will require the personal presence of Y'shua, and His city. This will be necessary because of those who 'destroy the earth' and because of the Fiery

Conflagration. But by the end of the Millennium people will again be living to 900 years old, and the earth will be incredibly abundant in all aspects. Why would God destroy all of the work His Son has done?

And if you look at the height of the City, as far as I can tell, it is going to be something like 300 miles high. Because of this, its Glory will literally be able to be seen from around the world. It won't need to be 'floating' above the earth, because it will be towering above the earth. From this incredibly Glorious City, will Y'shua the King Of Glory, reign over the Heavens and the Earth, and this is a situation that is due His Terrible Majesty.

And hence, at the end of the Millennium at the last judgment when it says that "Heaven and Earth fled away, and there was no place found for them" (the damned) is a description of the situation in the Throne Room of the New Jerusalem, which will be 300 miles above the earth, even above most of our atmosphere, where it will appear that heaven and earth did indeed 'pass away'.

This is because of the seriousness of the situation. And for the damned, the heaven and earth, which will be full of the Glory of the Lord, will indeed pass away. On top of that, if the Sun is the Lake of Fire, this will be the focus of everyone's attention, even the redeemed, but especially the damned. And at 300 miles above the earth, it will be highly visible, and will be continually in the Presence of the Lord, where He will see the Smoke of the torment of the damned, forever.

We have already seen that the Marriage imagery concerning the New Jerusalem is established in Chapter 19 of Revelation, at the end of the Tribulation and start of the Millenium. This chapter introduces the following chapters on the Glory of that City. You can not separate the imagery of the City, Mountain and Garden. All three go together in a 'marriage' relationship. Hence, in the Millenium the Land of Israel will be called Beulah, which means married.

And as surely as Y'shua will be married to His Kingdom, so also shall the New Jerusalem be married to this earth. The testimony of the Scriptures is unanimous. All the great blessings of the Millennium as recorded in both the Covenant and the Testament are impossible if the New Jerusalem is floating somewhere in space.

All of the descriptions of the City use the same poetic language of Mountain, River, Trees and Garden, and perfect communion of the Saints around God and the Lamb, which is also the description of the Millennial Reign of Christ. It is obvious that this is a result of the New Jerusalem being on this earth. For those that don't believe this, it is because you are looking through your fleshly eyes, and not the eyes of faith, which "looks for a City which has foundations and whose builder and maker is God."

This is why the Scriptures say that the Old Jerusalem where the mortals live will be God's Footstool. Because the New Jerusalem will be on this earth, in which will dwell the Glorified Saints. John says that there will be no more sea. This is talking about the Mediterranean Sea. This is where the New Jerusalem will be placed, with one of its borders flush up against the

Land of Israel. And this is why the Land of Israel is described as the Garden of Eden in the future. Because the land of Israel was the Garden of Eden before the Flood.

The Millenium is called, "The Restoration of All Things" and this includes the City of God, with His personal presence among us. Hence Ezekiel's words, "And the name of the City from that day shall be, The LORD is There." And John says, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He shall dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God." And then shall Y'shua be called by His other name, Immanuel - God With Us.

And it is called the New Jerusalem in contrast to the Old Jerusalem, which will lie east of it. But there is another reason that it is called New. Because for 2,000 years Yeshua has been putting on some additions. Rumor has it that He is done and looking for some Friends to move in.

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